

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A liquid container detachably mountable to a container holder, said container holder comprising:

a container body for containing liquid and including a front side engaging portion and a rear side engaging portion for engagement with the container holder, said front side engaging portion and said rear side engaging portion being disposed at a leading side and a trailing side, respectively, with respect to an ~~inserting~~ insertion direction of said container into the container holder, wherein said leading side and said trailing side are connected by a pair of lateral sides which extend in parallel with the insertion direction;
and

a projection, provided on only one lateral side of said pair of lateral sides of said container body, ~~which extend parallel with the inserting direction,~~ for being guided, when said container is mounted to the container holder, along an upper end of a guide wall provided in the container holder while the other lateral side is being limited by an inner surface of the container holder, and said container is being rotated substantially about said front side engaging portion.

2. (Currently Amended) A liquid container according to ~~Claim 2~~ Claim 1, wherein said container holder ~~having~~ has a plurality of mounting portions, and a width A of said liquid container measured between ~~the~~ substantially parallel lateral surfaces which are substantially parallel with the ~~inserting~~ insertion direction when said liquid container is mounted to said container holder, a distance B between inner surfaces of the container mounting portion opposed to said lateral ~~surfaces~~ sides of said liquid container,

respectively, a height C of said projection, and a width D of the upper end of said guide wall, satisfy:

$$D > C > (B - A).$$

3. (Currently Amended) A container according to Claim 2, wherein said projection is ~~disposed at~~ positioned towards the leading side.

4. (Currently Amended) A container according to Claim 2, wherein a bottom surface of said container is provided with a liquid supply ~~opening for permitting supply of port for supplying~~ the liquid ~~into~~ from said container to an outside thereof.

5. (Currently Amended) A container according to Claim 4, wherein a ~~bottom~~ the bottom surface of said container is provided with a plurality of said liquid supply ~~openings~~ ports which are arranged on a line connecting centers of said front side engaging portion and said rear side engaging portion and which are disposed offset toward said one of the lateral sides having said projection.

6. (Original) A container according to Claim 4, further comprising an elastically displaceable operation lever which elastically displaces when said container is mounted to or demounted from the container holder, wherein at least one of said front side engaging portion and said rear side engaging portion is formed into said operation lever.

7. (Currently Amended) A container holder having a plurality of container mounting portions to which a liquid container is detachably mountable, said container holder comprising:

a front side portion ~~to be engaged~~ and a rear side portion ~~to be engaged~~ ~~which are for being engaged with~~ for engagement with a front side engaging portion and a rear side engaging portion of said liquid container with respect to an ~~inserting~~ insertion direction;

wherein each of said plurality of container mounting ~~portion including~~ portions includes a guide wall for guiding along an upper end thereof a projection provided on one of lateral sides of said liquid container which are parallel with the ~~inserting~~ insertion direction when said liquid container is mounted, said guide wall being provided only on one of lateral sides of said container mounting portion, and wherein when said liquid container is mounted to said container holder, the other lateral side of said liquid container is limited by an inner surface of said container mounting portion, and said liquid container is rotated substantially about a neighborhood of said front side engaging portion ~~to be engaged~~.

8. (Currently Amended) A container holder according to Claim 7, having a plurality of such container mounting portions, wherein a width A of said liquid container measured between ~~the~~ substantially parallel lateral surfaces which are substantially parallel with the ~~inserting~~ insertion direction when said liquid container is mounted to said container holder, a distance B between inner surfaces of the container mounting portion opposed to said lateral ~~surfaces~~ sides of said liquid container, respectively, a height C of said projection, and a width D of the upper end of said guide wall, satisfy:

$$D > C > (B - A).$$

9. (Original) A container holder according to Claim 8, wherein said guide wall functions also as a partition wall for providing a partition between adjacent ones of container mounting portions.

10. (Currently Amended) A container holder according to Claim 9, wherein the upper end of said guide wall is ~~configured such that position of said~~ positioned at a level above a bottom surface of the liquid container ~~is lowered with respect to a bottom surface of~~ mounted to said container mounting portion.

11. (Currently Amended) A recording head cartridge comprising:
a recording head for ejecting the liquid;
a plurality of liquid containers containing liquid to be supplied into said recording head;
a plurality of container mounting portions for detachably mounting said liquid containers,

wherein each said liquid container includes a front side engaging portion and a rear side engaging portion for engagement with said container holder, said front side engaging portion and said rear side engaging portion being disposed at a leading side and a trailing side, respectively, with respect to an ~~inserting~~ insertion direction of said container into said container holder; and a projection, provided on only one of lateral sides of said container body which extend parallel with the ~~inserting~~ insertion direction;

wherein said container holder is provided with a front side portion ~~to be engaged~~ and a rear side portion ~~to be engaged~~ for engagement with said front side engaging portion and said rear side engaging portion, respectively, and a guide wall, provided only

on one of sides to be opposed to said liquid container, for guiding said projection along an upper end thereof; and

wherein when said liquid container is mounted to said container holder, said projection is guided along ~~an~~the upper end of said guide wall, and the other side surface parallel with the ~~inserting~~insertion direction is limited by an inner surface of said container holder, and is rotated substantially about ~~a front~~said front side engaging portion ~~engaged~~ with said front side portion to be engaged.